

Seattle Public Utilities
Pinehurst Green Grid Natural Drainage System Project
SEPA Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS)

Description of Proposal:

Seattle Public Utilities proposes to replace existing street improvements with a natural drainage system consisting of a series of interconnected, vegetated swales or ponds. The project is designed to detain stormwater and provide enhanced biofiltration of runoff from this portion of the Thornton Creek watershed. As part of the drainage work, existing streets will be replaced, new sidewalks and pedestrian walkways installed, and landscaping in many areas will be added.

Proponent:

Seattle Public Utilities
Seattle Municipal Tower, Suite 4900
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Location of Proposal, including street address, if any:

The project is located almost entirely in the street right-of-way in a 12-block area of the Pinehurst neighborhood (from NE 117th St. to NE 113th St., 16th Ave. NE to 23rd Ave. NE, and NE 113th St. at the intersection of 25th Ave. NE).

Lead Agency:

Seattle Public Utilities (SPU), the lead agency for this proposal, has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other related documents on file with the lead agency. This information may be examined at Seattle Public Utilities offices by contacting the Project Manager listed above.

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the publication date below.

Comments must be submitted by April 1, 2005.

Responsible Official:

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Signature: Signed by Joy Keniston-Longrie

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You may appeal this determination, in writing, no later than April 8, 2005 to:

City Hearing Examiner
1320 Alaska Building
618 Second Avenue,
Seattle, WA 98104

There is a \$50 filing fee for the appeal. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections.

Contact the Hearing Examiner at (206) 684-0521 to ask about or to make arrangements to read the procedures for SEPA appeals.